GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1263
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PURCHASE OF STATIONERY
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Expenditure is studying the exact cost implications on account of the special dispensation provided to National Cooperative Consumers` Federation (NCCF) etc. regarding purchase of stationery and other general items from them upto Rs. one lakh without inviting open tenflers/quotatbns;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Department of Expenditure has opined that purchase of stationery and other items from NCCF etc. is not cost effective for the Government; and

(d) if so, the reasons for not withdrawing the special dispensation given to NCCF etc.?

Answer

MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) to (d) Yes Sir. Based on a prima-facie analysis that purchase of stationary and other items from NCCF etc. is not cost effective, Department of Expenditure has entrusted the Cost Accounts Branch (CAB) to study the exact cost implication of the special dispensation provided in a few selected Ministries. The CAB has called for necessary data from respective organisations in this regard. In the interim, the special dispensatron given to NCCF etc. has been extended for six months effective from 1.4.2014.